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TAMMANY METHODS.

Prosecutor Goff Reviews the Work of the Lexow Committee.

THE SYSTEMATIC BLACKMAILING

Of All Classes of Citizens the Work of the New York Police Department—Its Rule Far Worse Than That of the Police Regime in St. Petersburg—The Power of the Tiger Completely Crashed—Where the Blackmail Money Went Cannot be Told Now for Obvious Reasons.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 21.—Mr. John W. Goff, the prosecuting attorney of the Lexow investigating committee, who is stopping in Washington for a few days, has given the Evening Star an interesting interview of nearly three columns on the work of the committee.

"It was, as you may imagine," he said, "a tremendous task that confronted us when we started the investigation. We knew positively that the police department of New York, a most magnificent organization as regards its own strength, was systematically blackmailing all classes of citizens."

"You may be surprised when I say that New York, under the rule of the police department as it was controlled by Tammany hall, was far worse as regards the individual comfort of citizens than St. Petersburg under its most violent police regime. This was accidentally illustrated by a witness who took the stand one day. He was a Pole who had been sent to Siberia as a result of the Polish insurrection. He had escaped and reached this country and about a year after his arrival he was unjustly arrested and cruelly beaten. When he was asked how the police of New York compared with those of St. Petersburg, he answered that the Russian police are gentle and humane compared with those of our city."

"The lower classes of citizens were made to believe that blackmail was lawful and regular. They came to consider the captain of their precinct as the source of all municipal authority. In effect, he was such to them."

"You ask me if I think this power is now crushed. I do most emphatically. I think that the public conscience having been once aroused, the machinery of this Augean system exposed will be a perpetual bar against the development of such an organization in the future."

"I cannot answer that question as to where the blackmailing money went or in what proportions it was distributed, for that is a personal matter, which would force me to mention names. Nor can I tell you just what lines the committee will take upon the resumption of its work a week from next Monday. There are still many points to investigate and a great deal of rounding up—fishing off, as it were. Go up higher? I cannot say. We will try to finish the work by the first of January."

ABOUT SATOLLI

His Elevation to be a Cardinal Cannot Take Place as Soon as Reported.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 21.—Concerning the renewed reports that the elevation of Mgr. Satolli to be a cardinal would occur at Baltimore on December 8, it can be stated positively that the papal document concerning the subject has not yet come and is not expected until the latter part of December. The date of the ceremony, therefore, has not been approximately fixed, and in no event could it take place until the latter part of December.

KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS

Not In It—The Majority Practically Wiped Out at the Election.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 21.—The Democratic majority in the state, as compared by the secretary of state, in the congressional election is 25,573. This is a falling off in the Democratic vote of 50,525. This is not taking in consideration that 6,000 votes given Keys, Pop., in the First district, were Republican.

St. Mary's Alumni Reunion.

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 21.—The alumni of St. Mary's seminary held their annual reunion to-day. High mass was celebrated at the cathedral at 10 o'clock. There were about 150 of the clergy present. A banquet was served in the afternoon at the seminary. Officers of the Alumni Association for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Rt. Rev. Thomas Burke, bishop of Albany; secretary, Rev. Edward Kelley, of Chicago; treasurer, Rev. John D. Boland, of Baltimore; historian, Rev. Dr. Dyer, S. S., of St. Mary's seminary.

Kentucky's Great Hunt.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 21.—A special to the Courier Journal from Olympia, Ky., says: Strong wind, together with the excitement of several hundred hunters made to-day's hunting equally as unprofitable as that of yesterday. With the champion stalks closed last night there was thirty-six entries. It is estimated that there were five hundred horses in the woods. An area of about twenty-five miles were covered. There were no serious accidents, though several hunters took headers.

A Financial Proposition.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 21.—It is expected that very soon after the meeting of Congress a bill will be introduced to provide that a certain percentage of the revenues of the government (the exact rate not determined) shall be paid in gold. It is doubtful whether during the short session this measure can be gotten through Congress, but a very determined effort, it is asserted, will be made in that direction.

Well Known Editor Dead.

TRIO, N. Y., Nov. 21.—James T. Robinson died this afternoon in North Adams, Mass., after a lingering illness, at the age of seventy-two years. He was editor of the North Adams Transcript and an able writer.

Actor J. K. Emmett Married.

DAVENPORT, IOWA, Nov. 21.—J. K. Emmett, "Our Fritz" arrived in town to-day with his company. Mr. Emmett at once proceeded to the court house,

where he asked for a marriage license. A few minutes later the actor and Miss May Higgins Stevens, a member of the company, drove up to the residence of Canon Rogers, of the Episcopal cathedral, and were married.

THE W. C. T. U.

The National Convention Adjourns—The Final Resolutions.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 21.—To-day's session of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Katherine Lepte Stevenson. Then followed the minutes of the executive committee meetings which had not already been reported to the convention. After a very exciting debate the committee's report was finally unanimously adopted.

Then followed the introduction of the Cleveland ladies whose efforts were instrumental in making the convention the success it was.

The report of the resolution committee was next presented and distributed through the audience. The report dwells at length upon the following subjects: Young people's societies, Sabbath observance, W. T. F. A., equality of citizenship, equality in morals, amusements, alcoholic cures, the daily press, strikes, work among colored people, labor questions and prohibition. The report concludes as follows:

"Resolved, That we render our thanks to the federated unions of Cleveland for their complete arrangements for the success of the convention, to the people of the city for their gracious hospitality, to the pastors of the churches who have welcomed us to their pulpits and to all who have contributed to the success of the convention."

After a lengthy discussion and the adoption of several amendments the report of the committee on resolutions was adopted.

Mrs. Hunt, of Massachusetts, introduced a resolution advocating instruction in the public schools in regard to the physical effects of intemperance. The first announcement of many which were made before adjournment was to the effect that Kansas City had invited the convention to meet there in 1895.

In the afternoon the report of the resolutions committee was again taken up and new resolutions were added.

Other resolutions adopted were one deploring the Armenian massacre, and advocating international protection; one denouncing the increases of military education in public schools, colleges and universities, and one, which raised much controversy, thanking the Populists for the suffrage plank in the platform in Kansas, thanking the Republicans for the same thing in Colorado, and thanking the Democrats of the south for bringing a large area under local option law.

The convention then adjourned sine die. The next meeting may be in Baltimore.

As a supplement to the convention the Cleveland Temperance Federation held a big platform meeting in Music hall this evening. Addresses were made by Helen M. Barker, of Chicago; Susan B. Anthony, Madame Chika Sakamara, of Japan; Mrs. L. Ida Merritt, of Tennessee; President C. F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University; Miss Frances E. Willard and Mrs. Clara Hoffman.

A MYSTERIOUS CASE.

The Suicide of M. G. Linsley and the Arrest of W. M. Bagley.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The suicide of M. G. Linsley, the salesman of Hyman, Berg & Co., jewelers, is surrounded with mystery. Linsley, who came from New Haven, Conn., was prominent in social circles and commanded a large salary. A story of a \$30,000 robbery from Hyman, Berg & Co., was circulated in connection with the suicide. They declare that Linsley's accounts are straight and that there is no foundation for the rumor that his suicide was the result of large thefts.

A Cincinnati Dispatch Says:

William M. Bagley was arrested here Monday and taken to Chicago without requiring requisition papers, last night, charged with stealing a watch and other jewelry amounting to \$350. Sensational dispatches were sent out that Bagley had stolen \$35,000 worth of diamonds from Hyman, Berg & Co., of Chicago. An unknown woman traveling as his wife said the jewels were buried near Elgin, Ill.

A. R. U. Men Convicted.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Nov. 21.—S. C. Lunie, B. T. Johnson, Isaac Ross and Philip Stanwood, board of mediation of the A. R. U., who officiated in this city during the strike, were found guilty by the jury in the United States district court here this morning. The sentence will be passed Monday. Their offense was conspiracy to obstruct the United States mails in transit and obstruct the inter-state commerce.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRES.

Prince Karl August, hereditary grand duke of Saxe-Weimar Eisenach, died from pneumonia at Cape St. Martin, Germany. Prince Karl August was born at Weimar July 31, 1844, and was the champion stalks closed last night there was thirty-six entries. It is estimated that there were five hundred horses in the woods. An area of about twenty-five miles were covered. There were no serious accidents, though several hunters took headers.

Conrad Sprenger, a stone contractor, of Pittsburgh, committed suicide by shooting himself through the brain on his wife's grave in the Homewood cemetery. On November 9 his wife took a dose of rough on rats and died the following morning.

Three Republican counties in Kansas will not be represented in the state legislature because of a state law providing that any county casting less than 200 votes shall not be entitled to a representative.

The National Fraternal Congress elected these officers: President, S. A. Well, Pittsburgh; vice president, W. R. Spooner, New York; secretary and treasurer, W. Sackett, Meadville, Pa.

Marion Hedgpath, the Missouri express robber, began his twenty-five years sentence in the state penitentiary yesterday.

The cloakmakers' relief headquarters were crowded yesterday with hungry men, their wives and children asking for food.

A general lockout of shirt-makers in New York is imminent on account of a threatened 10 per cent reduction in wages.

BIG COAL RAILROAD.

The Elkins and Camden Systems to be Connected to Open Up a Great Territory.

UNIONTOWN, PA., Nov. 21.—A monster coal railroad enterprise has been sprung in West Virginia, this time by the Camdens. The project is a road to begin with a connection with the West Virginia Central & Pittsburgh railroad, owned by the Davis-Elkins people, and extending through Clarksburg to the Ohio river at New Martinsville. It will be a connecting link between the Davis-Elkins interest on the north and the Camden systems, the Ohio River and West Virginia Central and Pittsburgh railroads on the south and west.

It will pass through some of the finest coal in the south and tap territory entirely new and never before touched.

JUMPED FROM A TRAIN

Through a Car Window—A Stranger's Mad Freak Near Oakland.

GRAFTON, W. VA., Nov. 21.—The passengers in one of the coaches of the west bound Baltimore & Ohio train No. 7 were treated to a startling theatrical performance in the sudden, mad plunge of a fellow passenger through the car window. The window was down, and the frenzied individual pitched himself through the glass before any one could stop him. The incident occurred at 3 o'clock this morning, a short distance west of Oakland, while the train was in motion, but not under full headway. A search was instituted, but nothing could be found but his hat. It is supposed he was not very seriously hurt, and was able to pick himself up and depart for whereabouts unknown. The man was a young Swede, about twenty-two years of age, but his name and "present address" are not known. Just before his mad freak he had been talking to one of the trainmen and seemed rational.

OIL DEVELOPMENTS

Will be Resumed by Hartman, Greenlee and Forst—Settlement of Their Case.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Nov. 21.—The assignment of Hartman, Greenlee and Forst, on October 28, virtually tied up an immense amount of very valuable undeveloped oil territory. On Thursday last a special term of the circuit court was convened here for adjusting the matter, and to-day the ascertained indebtedness was found to amount to over \$200,000. The firm have paid 20 per cent cash and given their obligations with approved personal security for the balance, running six, twelve and eighteen months. They take possession of all their property and will at once complete the wells now being put down and go on with their developments.

OFFICIAL RETURNS

From This State Give the Correct Majorities for Congressmen.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Nov. 21.—The official returns from the election of November 6 have been received. The total vote of the state fell off 611. The Democratic vote was 9,682 less than in 1892, and the Republican vote 8,997 greater. In the first congressional district the vote was: Doremus (Rep.), 21,807; Howard (Dem.), 17,399; Doremus's plurality, 4,408. Second district, Dayton (Rep.), 23,443; Wilson (Dem.), 21,392; Dayton's plurality, 2,051. Third district, Hulling (Rep.), 23,554; Alderson (Dem.), 19,539; Hulling's plurality, 4,015. Fourth district, Miller (Rep.), 20,701; Harvey (Dem.), 17,819; Miller's plurality, 2,882. Total Republican plurality on congressmen, 13,329.

THE ODD FELLOWS.

Grand Encampment of This State in Session at Harper's Ferry.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Nov. 21.—The annual grand encampment of I. O. O. F. of West Virginia met in Harper's Ferry yesterday. All the grand officers were present and nearly all the lodges were represented. The official degree was conferred on twenty applicants. The secretary's report showed a membership of 5,332, an increase of sixty members during the year. The grand officers were elected for the ensuing year: R. S. Hollis, G. P.; C. L. Simpson, G. H. P.; H. A. Uman, G. S.; Henry Seaman, G. T.; J. D. Scaudo, G. J. W.; G. P. Klingler, G. R.

Dr. James H. Love Dead.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

GRAFTON, W. VA., Nov. 21.—Dr. James H. Love, a prominent physician and highly esteemed citizen of Grafton, died this morning with disease of the liver. The deceased was about thirty-five years of age, and a son of Mr. James I. Love, of this town. He married a daughter of Col. James K. Smith, of Fetterman. His wife and two children survive him.

The Pope Still Hostile to Italy.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—A dispatch to the Times from Rome declares that the report that the pope is relaxing his hostility to Italy is unfounded. The dispatch adds that Cardinal Von Hohenlohe, brother of the German chancellor, and head of the Liberal party in the sacred college, has not seen the pope since August.

Murdered by Tramps.

DETROIT, MICH., Nov. 21.—A special to the Free Press from Galesburg, Mich., says: William Wickwar and sister, who live five miles south of here, were murdered by tramps about 7 o'clock this evening. Two men were seen near their home at 1 o'clock this afternoon. A posse is searching the country for them. Mr. Wickwar was an old resident and highly respected.

Married in Haste, Reports at Leisure.

DENVER, COLO., Nov. 21.—Clarence W. Clark, the adventurer from New York, who induced Gertrude Hutchins to marry him after two days' acquaintance, was to-day sentenced to jail for sixty days for petty larceny, and bound over to the district court in \$300 for perjury in procuring a marriage license. Gertrude is repenting and wants a divorce.

O'Malley in Luck.

CHICAGO, Nov. 31.—State Senator O'Malley is in luck. The Greek waiter, Varalos, whom the senator shot election night, failed to prosecute to-day, and the case was dismissed.

MORE MYSTERY

In Connection With Holmes' Remarkable Criminal Career.

DISAPPEARANCE OF ANOTHER GIRL

In Addition to That of the Williams Sisters—The Pitzel Case as Mysterious as Ever—A Friend Who Claims to Have Spoken to Him Within the Past Two Weeks—He Vows That He Cannot Be Mistaken—St. Louis Comes in With a Story About the Missing Man.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—The Pitzel Holmes mystery deepens as time wears on. To day many theories in regard to the mystery were knocked in the head by the announcement that B. F. Pitzel, the supposed murdered man, was seen in Chicago less than two weeks ago. President Fouse, of the Fidelity Life Insurance association, said to-day:

"This morning my Chicago representative telegraphed me that Mr. Ryan, who is a business man of Chicago, called on him and said that he saw B. F. Pitzel in the city less than two weeks ago. Mr. Ryan says that he has known Pitzel for many years and has had frequent business transactions with him and that it is impossible for him to be mistaken."

"When they met Ryan did not know that Pitzel was supposed to be dead and the two greeted each other cordially and repaired to a nearby saloon, where they had a drink together. Then they separated and Ryan says that he does not know whether Pitzel was to locate in that city or not. However, our men there and the Pinkerton detectives have taken up the clew, and it is my opinion that B. F. Pitzel will be produced within a few days."

AN ADDITIONAL MYSTERY.

Following close upon the story of the mysterious disappearance of the Williams sisters at the hands of Holmes, the life insurance swindler, comes a third woman victim, namely, Miss Kate Durkee. Again it is the question: Where is she? And again the answer: Probably murdered. At all events, Kate Durkee had property. The documents representing the property came into the hands of H. H. Holmes by theft, the woman mysteriously disappeared and Holmes showed title to the property. Whoever Miss Durkee is, she was not Miss Williams. She was of dark complexion, with dark hair and eyes, while Miss Williams was a blonde.

One year ago to-day, twenty-five creditors of H. H. Holmes met at the office of George B. Chamberlin and made a desperate effort to find out who and where Miss Durkee was. It was supposed at that time that she was an accomplice of Holmes and that property illegally obtained was being transferred into her name, and the creditors wished to reach it. Suddenly Kate Durkee dropped quietly and entirely out of sight, and like the Williams sisters, has left no trace behind.

"I believe she was murdered," said Mr. Chamberlin in speaking of the matter to-day. "I believe also that both of the Williams sisters were murdered, and I make this statement on the strength, not of published reports, but what I know personally of the matter."

Mr. Chamberlin, who is proprietor of the Lafayette Mercantile Agency, began his investigation of Holmes a year ago last September.

PITZEL WAS CROOKED.

A St. Joseph, Mo., dispatch says: Joseph Pitzel, who is the centre of attraction in the Philadelphia insurance swindle, was a former resident of this city and left here about three years ago under a cloud. While here, he and a man named John Carpenter conducted a detective agency and made a number of important captures, one notable case being that of working up and securing the aid of noted criminals who fired buildings at Garden Grove, Iowa, and shot an officer while escaping. He left St. Joseph owing considerable money.

Mrs. Holmes Makes a Threat.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Mrs. Myrtle Holmes, the wife of H. H. Holmes, who resides at Wilmette, positively refuses to discuss her husband in any way. She said to-night: "I will not talk at all, and the next newspaper man who comes here will get a pall of hot water thrown over him."

THE WOOL TRADE.

Wool is Cheap and a Vast Amount of it Being Utilized.

BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 21.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say to-morrow on the wool trade:

The market is steady, prices are being fairly well maintained. A good deal of wool is quietly slipping away from the warehouses. Manufacturers are generally conceding that wool is cheap and a vast amount of it is being utilized in the days in the production of American woollens and worsteds, which are cheaper than any foreign goods of the same quality yet shown.

The sales of this week amount to 2,220,000 pounds domestic and 699,000 pounds foreign, making a total of 2,919,000 pounds, against a total of 5,770,500 for the previous week, and a total of 5,880,000 for the corresponding week last year. The sales since January 1, 1894, amount to 130,783,585 pounds, against 100,155,000 pounds a year ago. The sales in Philadelphia have amounted to 1,056,300 pounds.

IS IT A VOLCANO?

Mount Tacoma, the Monarch of the Cascades, Thought to be in State of Eruption.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—Great excitement has been caused throughout Puget Sound country by what is looked upon by many as an eruption of Mount Tacoma, or Rainier, 14,444 feet high, and one of the loftiest peaks in them. The mountain has lately been strangely transformed. The crest of the great monarch of the Cascades has changed, the cone having fallen in, and steam can be seen rising from the crater. There is no eruption, it is believed by those most competent to judge, but great masses of rock seem to have fallen. There is no way of making a thorough investigation of the phenomenon.

SENSATIONAL TRIAL

Of the Lynchers of Six Negroes at Memphis—The Sheriff Driven Out of Court by an Arraignment.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Nov. 21.—To-day's proceedings in the trial of Smith and Richardson, charged with lynching six negroes, have been of the most sensational character. Sheriff A. J. McCarver, father of "Butch" Carver, the infidel witness, was put on the stand this morning.

Counsel for the defense objected to a question asked, whereupon General Peters arose and addressed the court.

He accused Sheriff McCarver of being in sympathy with the prisoners and thwarting every effort of the state to secure a conviction. He accused him of suppressing from the grand jury his own knowledge of acts pertaining to the lynching; of providing the accused every facility for defense by driving them over the country and by going to their homes and placing the prisoners in communication with characters whose services might be useful on the trial. The sheriff listened to this arraignment speechless and open mouthed and slunk out of the court room after it was over.

"Butch" McCarver was placed on the stand. He related how, a few days before the killing, he had been invited by Smith and Jim Sisley to take part in the killing. Smith told him then, he says, that Richardson was employed to make the arrests and that they wanted McCarver to help Richardson at that part of the work. It was McCarver's effort to intimate that Richardson was to make the arrest in good faith. McCarver was then to have gone to Smith's house, near Kentville, on the morning before the killing. A body of men was to meet Richardson that night as he came toward Memphis, overpower him and kill his captive negroes. All these facts were extricated from McCarver with the greatest difficulty, and many other statements of a material character that he made to the grand jury he would not repeat to-day, saying that he had forgotten.

A mass meeting of citizens has been called to demand the removal of Sheriff McCarver.

A TELL TALE LETTER

Which Corroborates the Story of Armstrong Implicating an Attorney in Hedgpath's Attempt to Escape.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 21.—In connection with the affidavit of Jail Guard Armstrong, implicating Attorney Jephth D. Howe, in the attempted escape from jail of Marion Hedgpath, the notorious express robber, and the vigorous denial of that statement by Howe, Chief of Police Harrison to-day made public a letter written by Hedgpath while in jail, corroborating the statement of Armstrong.

The chief stated that after Hedgpath's first attempt to escape, he had promised, if he behaved himself, to intercede with the express company officials to secure him a lenient sentence. Hedgpath, he said, promised faithfully not to make another attempt at escape.

Shortly after this promise was made a key was found in Hedgpath's cell, and the chief, supposing the prisoner had broken faith with him, called all negotiations off, and also forbade the jailer allowing Mrs. Hedgpath access to her husband's presence.

A week or so after the order was enforced, Chief Harrison met Mrs. Hedgpath in the Four Courts corridor with a letter in her hand. He took the letter from her, against her protest, and read its contents. The letter was addressed to herself and in it the husband begged his wife not to lose faith in the promise he had given her to be free himself and make no attempt to escape, while the chief was interceding for him. He told her, in the letter, that the key which had been found in his cell had been furnished him long before, by Jephth Howe, who told him to keep it and to be prepared to embrace the first opportunity offered for escape.

CHINESE ARMY REFORM

Proceeds with Difficulty—Lin Tai San's Suicide Contemplated.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Times says that the reform of the Chinese army proceeds with difficulty. A few European officers are engaged in the preliminaries of the reorganization. There is no central authority. Prince Kung, uncle of the emperor, and head of Tung Li Yamen, the admiralty, etc., is reserved in the exercise of his power, finding it hard to contend against Chinese obstruction. Viceroy Li Hung Chang shows no sign of leaving Tien Tsin. The dispatch adds that the report of the suicide of Commander Lin Tai San, commander of the battleship Chen Yuen, which was sunk by the Japanese in the battle of the Yalu, has been confirmed.

Japs Near Port Arthur.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—A dispatch from Shanghai reports that the Japanese are within two miles of Port Arthur. It is added that the American cruiser Baltimore has gone to Eung Chow, fearing that an attack may be made upon the American mission here.

SICILIAN EARTHQUAKES.

Funds for the Relief of the Sufferers.

ROME, Nov. 21.—Relief funds for the earthquake sufferers have been opened throughout Italy, and the military commanders in the afflicted districts have been ordered to give every assistance to the sufferers by providing them with tents and bread, etc. The earthquake shock to-day was felt in Calabria, Catania and the island of Liparia, in addition to being felt at Messina, Sicily. At the latter place a religious procession marched through the streets to-day, headed by Cardinal Giuseppe Guarino, archbishop of Messina, offering up prayers for the safety of the inhabitants. The cathedral was closed in order to avoid a disaster in the event of renewed earthquake shocks.

Steamship Arrivals.

Baltimore—Dresden from Bremen.

Boulogne—Amsterdam from New York.

New York—Russia from Hamburg.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania, fair, with wind.

For Ohio, fair; warmer in extreme northern portion; winds shifting to south.

THE TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

As furnished by C. SCHNEPP, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets.

7 a. m. 46°; 11 a. m. 46°; 1 p. m. 50°; 3 p. m. 50°; 5 p. m. 50°; 7 p. m. 50°; 9 p. m. 50°; 11 p. m. 50°; 12 m. 50°; 1 p. m. 50°; 3 p. m. 50°; 5 p. m. 50°; 7 p. m. 50°; 9 p. m. 50°; 11 p. m. 50°; 12 m. 50°.

Weather—Fair.

BLANCH MINE HORROR.

Some Pathetic Scenes in the Little Coal Village.

ONE MAN LEAVES EIGHT CHILDREN.

The Coroner's Jury Brings in a Verdict Fixing the Responsibility on the Pit-Boss, Shared Possibly by the State Mine Inspector—Some Testimony that is Spore on the Latter Official—Later Details of the Horrible Accident.

"We, the jury, find that the seven men there lying dead came to their death by a blowout caused by an extra heavy charge of powder in room No. 8 of No. 9 entry, which ignited the smoke and coal dust, there being an excessive amount of dry dust at the time of, and previous to the explosion, which was not kept properly dampened, and the pit boss, in failing to keep the dust dampened, we censure for negligence and carelessness; and if the mine inspector, on the occasion of his visit to the mine on the 15th instant, failed to order the operators to properly water the mine, he is also hereby censured."

Above is the verdict returned late last evening by the coroner's jury impaneled by Coroner Walkinshaw, of Brooke county, to "examine and true presentment make in what manner and form came to their deaths John Donnelly, Patrick Roney, Thomas Jordan, Thomas Tucker, David Rowlands, Antonia Sattio and Mazzio Gisaleo."

These were the seven men killed by the horrible explosion in the mine of the Blanch Coal Company, on the Pan-Handle railroad about five miles east of the river, shortly after noon on Tuesday. Coroner Walkinshaw at once impaneled a jury composed of Messrs. J. C. Swearingen, George Baggett, James Morton, Joseph Buchanan, John O. Marsh and G. W. Freshwater.

Yesterday morning the coroner, the jury, a number of interested persons, including L. O. Smith, of New Cumberland, and the officials of the Blanch company, and an INTELLIGENCER reporter, gathered early at the house of Mr. Longstreet, not far from the scene of the accident. The inquest was not finished until late in the day, when the verdict given above was quickly arrived at.

Among those who participated in or watched the proceedings were Sheriff Cowans and Prosecuting Attorney Cotton, of Brooke county, District President Jerry Mead, of miners' union; Mr. Thomas Sanderson, of Wellsburg, who was summoned by the coroner to examine into the cause of the accident and to testify as an expert, and others.

SOME HARROWING SCENES.

While the coroner and other officials were arranging to open the inquest, the INTELLIGENCER reporter and others made a tour of the scattered village and looked after the wounded and into the condition of the families of those who were killed. The injured are all doing well and considered out of danger except one Italian, Jose Kelle, who, it is believed, inhaled some of the flames. His fellow miners thought he should be brought to Wheeling to a hospital, and that the company ought to pay the expense. Mr. Smith offered to bear the railroad fare, but thought that was enough. As a consequence he lies in his lodging house above the mine, on the hill-top, improperly cared for. Several people expressed the belief that if he died it would be from lack of proper nursing and treatment.